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Parnia Roghani  
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Dear Mr. Mike Napier

Alliance for Substance Addiction Prevention (ASAP)'s Cultural Competence Committee supports the Pasco Health Equity Task Force's creation of a Health Equity Plan and social determinants of health projects to improve equity and reduce health disparities in Pasco. We strongly endorse the focus on reducing health disparities among underserved populations by addressing the root causes and barriers to achieving optimal health.

As an organization which coordinates community efforts to reduce addiction in Pasco County, we are committed to improving the quality of life in our community.

Through this letter, we acknowledge specific roles and responsibilities we will fulfill as part of the Health Equity Task Force. These include:

- Designating a representative to work on this effort.
- Consistently participating in Health Equity Task Force meetings.
- Building relationships with organizations and community partners that can influence policy making, leverage resources, provide expertise or participate in projects.
- Reviewing data about health disparities and SDOH provided by the Health Equity Team.
- Soliciting, providing, and reviewing additional data, as needed, from the Health Equity Coalition and our own organization.
- Identifying top priorities, community concerns, opportunities for action, and resources.
- Researching evidence-based and promising approaches to improve the SDOHs that impact the prioritized health disparity.
- Providing expertise in our field to assist in the creation of the Health Equity Plan.
- Designing, implementing, and tracking collaborative health equity projects that address the key social determinants of health.

We look forward to working with Tom Panagopoulos and the Pasco County Health Equity Coalition to improve the health and well-being of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Parnia Roghani".

Parnia Roghani  
Founder/Chair of the Cultural Competence Committee  
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